## Ring-necked Parakeet. Psittacula krameri.

*Psittacula* =Gk *psittakos* Latin *psittacus* = Parrot *Krameri* from W. H. Kramer, Naturalist.

Did you know:

Parakeets can talk.
(Well, they mimic sounds).



2. The male has a black and pink ring round it's face.

3. Most adult parakeets have few predators, perhaps because they flock.

4. Parakeets are part of the Parrot family.

5. Parakeets do not create nests..they nest in cavities in logs or trees.

6. Parakeets have 4 toes...2 forward and 2 backward. This is called *zygodactyl*.

7. They do not use their feet to eat, but use their beak.

8. Parakeets are nomadic...they may change their location in the wild.

9. Parakeets can live for 20 years in captivity, or 5-10 in the wild.

10. Some claim they were introduce to the U.K. by Jimmy Hendrix.